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Manager's Report Looks at Options For City Uses of North End School

by Diane Oberg

In a lengthy report presented to council at its December 19 regular meeting, City Manager James K. Giese recommended renovating the one-story portion of the North End School, if council provides sufficient funds to complete the minimum renovations required to permit occupation of the building.

Giese also recommended that the two-story wing be razed saying that utilization of the entire building would adversely affect the neighborhood. In addition, Giese says that razing this section produces a more manageable project to renovate and operate.

If adequate funds cannot be found, Giese said that "it might be just as well to tear it down so that residents can benefit from a park or a new school facility. The building is not improving with age."

The school was closed in June 1981 and deeded to the city in May 1984. However, the building sustained heavy damage, including destruction of the heating system due to a water main break during the winter of '81-'82.

In his report, to be discussed at a January 31 worksession, Giese identified several major problems with the building including non-compliance with fire, electrical and handicap-access codes. Even before the furnace and boiler were destroyed, they failed to meet pollution standards. In addition, the building is not air-conditioned and most likely contains asbestos.

Costs

Increasing construction costs and the uncertainties of renovating an old building make all cost estimates questionable, the report said. In addition, asbestos removal could cost more than expected. However, Giese says that the particular uses selected for the building will, in most cases, have little effect on renovation costs.

The city manager estimates that renovation of the entire building would cost three million dollars. Renovating the one story section of the school would cost up to \$2.3 million.

However, only \$351,900 is immediately available. Although Giese's Capital Improvements Program budget, not yet approved by council, allocated \$954,700 in city and grant funds to the project, none of the grant funds are yet available. The city's request for a \$252,000 grant for a senior drop-in center has been denied. The state will not reconsider the grant request until the county completes a master plan of senior activity centers and senior services. Although the state did approve a \$144,400

grant for a senior day care center, the staff now doubts that they will be able to find a qualified day care provider to run the center. In the meantime \$396,400 in city funds required to match these grants cannot be used at this time.

However, even if a provider were found and the senior center grant approved the city would only have \$1,144,700 including the \$190,000 grant from the Maryland National Capital Park and Planning Commission (MNCPPC), far short of the amount needed for renovation.

North End vs. Center School

Decisions about how or whether to renovate the North End School are complicated by the uncertain status of Center School. Various people involved with Center School have questioned whether Center can be adequately renovated. As a result, the school board is considering building a new school on the North End property.

Of the two schools, Giese says that the staff feels Center is better suited for use as a community center, in part because it is within walking distance of more senior citizens. In addition, staff feels that the city might be permitted to offer recreational activities at the new school, if one is built.

However, Giese stressed that this opinion was based solely on which facility would better meet the city's needs for a community center, rather than upon educational, architectural or historical considerations.

Recommended Plan

The renovation option that Giese considers most feasible is razing the two story wing and renovating the remaining space. This option is estimated to cost up to \$2.3 million dollars, including renovation, asbestos removal and demolition of the two story wing. Annual operating cost estimates range from \$137,000 to \$200,000 depending upon the programs provided.

Giese said that the advantages of this proposal are reduced construction, operating and maintenance costs, more convenient parking and the ability to establish separate entrances for different uses, such as senior and child day care areas.

The disadvantages identified by Giese include reduced building size and the ability to accommodate fewer uses. In addition, future replacement of the razed portion would cost twice as much as renovation.

Other Options

Giese reviewed a number of other renovation options. One is to raze the entire building with the land then used as park, for senior housing or for future city needs. Demolition would cost approximately \$700,000 including asbestos removal and landscaping, with annual operating costs of less than \$20,000 per year.

The advantages cited for this proposal include lowest cost, and provision of a centrally located park for the north end of the city. In addition, any buildings eventually built on the site would be designed for their specific uses.

The disadvantages include failure to provide any of the proposed programs, increased costs if new buildings are built to house the uses proposed for the school and probable loss of the MNCPPC grant.

Two of the remaining alternatives involve partial renovation of the building. One would renovate the one-story portions but not raze the two-story wing. This would reduce renovation and operating costs while maintaining the option of future use of the two-story wing. It would also better meet the storage needs of the city than does the recommended alternate. However, it does not provide the additional parking and more convenient access of that plan.

The second partial renovation option is to renovate only the 1963 addition, the newest section of the building containing the multipurpose room, kitchen and eight classrooms. Giese noted

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MARYLAND TRADE CENTER IV LANDSCAPE PLAN APPROVED

by Diane Oberg

A site and landscape plan for Maryland Trade Center IV was approved by the Greenbelt city council at its December 19 regular meeting. The approval was subject to the developer, Coakley and Williams, entering into covenants with the city.

The 55,000 square foot, three-story office building will be located between the Holiday Inn and Maryland Trade Center III. Council had earlier approved the building concept, contingent upon the developer making improvements to landscaping, pedestrian access and sitting areas, including the planting of 76 trees along Greenway Center Drive.

City Planning and Development Coordinator Celia Wilson said that staff recommended approval of the plan, subject to several conditions, including an immediate start to the landscape improvements, complete handicap accessibility to all walkways and assurance that landscaping will be maintained after completion of the building.

Richard Reed, representing Coakley and Williams, agreed to most of the conditions, as well as agreeing to their inclusion in covenants, which unlike site plan conditions can be enforced by the city. However, he said his clients could not agree to undertake the improvements until they received building permits for Trade Center IV.

Coakley and Williams plan to begin construction by mid-1989, according to Reed, but are wary of unforeseen circumstances. Therefore, they did not want to be forced into a commitment to begin what Reed described as expensive landscape improvements until they were certain they could begin construction.

Wilson argued, however, that the conditions should include a definite date by which the improvements must begin, in case construction is delayed. In the final compromise, Coakley and

Williams agreed to begin landscape improvements upon the issuance of building permits for Trade Center IV, with completion to occur no later than June 30, 1990. If unforeseen circumstances delay construction beyond this point, Coakley and Williams could seek a waiver of the covenants from council.

Legislation

Council gave final approval to legislation establishing an Arts Advisory Committee charged with developing a formal city arts policy.

Council also approved legislation establishing an ad hoc committee to develop a framework for a Greenbelt Foundation.

After opposition by property owner Michael Steiner, council delayed final approval of a resolution authorizing condemnation procedures on 1.28 acres surrounded on three sides by Schrom Hills Park. Steiner cited his desire to continue living on the property, which he purchased four years ago. He argued against taking his home for soccer fields and parking lots. Steiner also argued that he had not been offered a fair price for his land, given the price of surrounding commercial properties. Council scheduled an executive session on the issue for January 25.

Other Actions

In other actions council:

- Was presented with a brass plaque commemorating the dedication of the Greenbelt Museum by Sandra Barnes of Friends of the Greenbelt Museum.

- Received a list of questions from Betty Timer regarding renovation costs for Center School, if the city were to receive it in place of North End School. Timer raised several issues, including the costs and limitations on renovation due to the school's historic status, lack of parking and difficulty in providing handicap access as required by code.

- Agreed to transmit to the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission and to the city's Advisory Planning Board a petition from the Windsor Green Homeowner's Association opposing extension of Mandan Road to Brae Brooke Drive.

- A second petition from this group, opposing purchase of Parcel 1 at a cost exceeding that set forth in the city's capital improvements program, unless approved by citywide referendum, was taken under advisement in considering future actions.

- Referred a Park and Recreation Advisory Board Report on the needs of non-senior handicapped citizens to the Community Relations Advisory Board.

WHAT GOES ON

Mon., Jan. 16. City offices closed for Martin Luther King holiday.

Wed., Jan. 18, 8 p.m. Advisory Planning Board Meeting, Municipal Building

Thurs., Jan. 19, 7:30 p.m. Crime Prevention Committee Municipal Building.

8 p.m. Community Relations Advisory Board, Employees Lounge, Municipal Building



LOCATIONS FOR CHRISTMAS TREE DISPOSAL



Christmas trees may be dropped off at the following locations for pickup by the City beginning January 3, 1989.

Playground opposite 73 Court Ridge Road

Corner of Research and Hillside Roads

Playground at Plateau Place and Ridge Road

Corner of Eastway and Crescent Roads

Entrance to 21 Court Ridge Road (Across from Green Ridge House)

Area adjacent to Candy Cane City

Playground at junction of Crescent and Ridge Roads

Playground at Ivy Lane and Lastner Lane

Charlestowne Village & Charlestowne North-Adjacent to

Attick Park service road

University Square - Front of Swimming Pool

Lakeside North - Near Swimming Pool

Springhill Lake Community Building

Greenbriar

Between Buildings: 7708 and 7710; 7728 and 7730

7826 and 7828 Hanover Parkway

Between Buildings: 8003 and 8009 Mandan Road

Glen Oaks

Between Buildings: 7903 and 7905; 7509 and 7511

Mandan Road

Hunting Ridge

Between Buildings: 6936 and 6978 Hanover Parkway

Windsor Green

At Court Entrances (Pick up by Windsor Green staff)

Greenbrook Village and Estates

Southeast corner of Ora Glen Drive and Mathew

Drive

Southeast corner of Hanover Parkway and Greenbrook

Drive

Greenwood Village:

Along Mandan Terrace, Opposite 8175

Opposite 7646 Mandan Road

Opposite 7648 Mandan Road

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Thursday, January 12, 1989

LEO GREEN TO ADDRESS GRAY PANTHER MEETING

Senator Leo Green will speak at an open public Gray Panther Meeting on Saturday, January 21 at 1:30 p.m. at the Greenbelt Library. Senator Green's topic will be "Issues in the 1989 Maryland State Legislature." Ample time has been allotted for Greenbelters to ask questions. For information or transportation telephone 474-7841 or 474-6890.

Univ. Square to Have Crime Watch Meeting

A training session for University Square Apartments residents interested in participating in a Neighborhood Watch program will be held on Jan. 17 at 7:30 p.m. on the second floor of the Greenbelt Municipal Building. Pfc. David A. Buerger, the Greenbelt Police Department's crime prevention officer, will be the guest speaker. The meeting will last about two hours.

Neighborhood Watch is a program in which citizens, in cooperation with their local law enforcement agency, directly participate in the detection and prevention of crime.

Golden Age Club

by Mary Gardner

New officers for 1989 were installed at the business meeting on January 4. The officers are: president, Ruthlee Kolbe; 1st vice president, May Frese; 2nd vice president, Florence Holly; recording secretary, Elinor Rimar; corresponding secretary, Hilda Yontz; and treasurer, Margaret Graham.

The speaker on January 18 will be Dr. Bob Zebrowski, a local dentist.

Membership dues are due now, with deadline for payment May 1. There will not be any telephone reminders, so please see Flo Boswell, membership chairman, soon to pay dues.

The monthly luncheons at the American Legion are now on the second Thursday of each month. Meetings on the second Wednesday are cancelled.

The meeting on January 25 will be a "Hobby Show." Bring examples of a favorite hobby, and discuss it with the group.

At the Library

Book Discussion group will meet at the Greenbelt library Thursday, Jan. 19 at 10:15 a.m. The book is Merry White's "The Japanese Educational Challenge."

Drop-In Storytime for ages 3 to 5 is also Thursday 10:30 to 11 a.m. with stories, filmstrips, songs and musical activities.

POSTMAN TO THE RESCUE

A quick-thinking postal deliveryman, Tony Schiavone, may have saved the life of an elderly GHI resident on Crescent Road. When he knocked on the door to give her a large quantity of mail, he smelled something burning. Upon investigation he saw smoke coming from a standard oven.

A frozen dinner in a plastic container had been placed in the oven and was melting. Schiavone removed the materials as smoke alarm went off. Although confused, the elderly woman was able to provide the name of a friend who was called to assist her.

Roger Gaines, delivery supervisor for the Greenbelt Post Office, said, "As Tony's supervisor I found his actions very gratifying and we are proud that he was alert and conscientious in helping someone in need while doing his daily duties."

All residents are reminded that plastic materials should not be used in a conventional oven.

Flea Market Next Month

Nineteen organizations have signed up for the Midwinter Flea Market to be held Saturday, Feb. 18, at the Youth Center, and there are still spaces available, says Ann Pisano, market coordinator.

Those interested in donating items should note the following groups joining in the event: Green Ridge House, Greenbriar Condominium Association, Greenbelt Arts Center, Citizens for the North End Center, Greenbelt Little League, Friends of the Greenbelt Museum, the 50th Anniversary Committee, Gray Panthers, the Senior Softball Team, Citizens for Greenbelt, Golden Age Club, Springhill Lake Good Neighbors, Woodland Hills Association, Hunting Ridge Condominium Association, Homemakers' Club and Lakewood Civic Association.

Other non-profit groups or homeowners' associations interested in being in the 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. event should call Pisano at 474-7841.

Publick Playhouse Offers Little Theatre of the Deaf

The Little Theatre of the Deaf, named by The New York Times as "the most rewarding kids' show in town" will perform at the Publick Playhouse on Jan. 12 and 13 at 10 a.m. and noon and on Sat., Jan. 14, at noon. All performances are signed and spoken so audiences can hear and see every word of the show.

For information or tickets, call 277-1710.

Correction

Our apologies to Kelly Wheatley, who substituted as an announcer for someone who was sick at a holiday celebration at Green Ridge House on Dec. 23 and was incorrectly identified in our Dec. 29 issue.

Memorial Service

A memorial service for former Greenbelter Amos M. White will be held on Sunday, January 15 at 4 p.m. in the West Chapel of the University of Maryland. Access to the chapel is from the parking lot directly to the rear of the main chapel on the University campus.

Mr. White, who died on December 27, is survived by his wife, Dorothy; two daughters, Pamela and Alice; and two grandchildren.

County Firefighters Discuss Rescue Efforts in Armenia

Prince Georges County Fire Captain Richard Williams and Fire Fighter/Paramedic Larry Killen will be the featured speakers at the January meeting of the Eleanor & Franklin Roosevelt Democratic Club. Williams and Killen were members of the Special Emergency Management Advisory Team which went to the Soviet Union last month to assist with rescue and recovery efforts in the aftermath of the Armenian earthquake disaster. The team consisted of eight American fire/rescue specialists, sponsored by the Citizen Ambassador Program of People to People International, and the International Association of Fire Chiefs. Williams and Killen will respond to questions in their presentation on the advisory team and its activities in Armenia.

The program will take place on Friday, Jan. 20, in the Terrace Room of the Greenbriar Community Building, 7600 Hanover Parkway. The meeting will begin at 8 p.m. Refreshments will be served and the public is invited.

Inauguration Day Metro Schedule

On Fri., Jan. 20, Metrorail will operate an extended weekday schedule opening at 5:30 a.m. and closing at 2 a.m. the next morning. The extended service is planned to accommodate those attending the inaugural festivities or working late on Inauguration Day. Off-peak fares will be in effect all day on Jan. 20. Parking is free at all Metro-operated lots.

The Mall exit from the Smithsonian Metrorail station will be closed on Inauguration Day as pedestrian access to the Mall area will be restricted.



Advisory
Planning
Board
Tentative
Agenda

Wed., Jan. 18

8 p.m.

Municipal Building

Conference Room

1. Call to Order
2. Further Consideration of Greenhorne & O'Mara Rezoning Petition.

Dudiak-Hibbs

Shirley and Ray Hibbs of 123 Lakeside Drive are pleased to announce the engagement of their son, Jeff, to Nancy Dudiak, also of Greenbelt. Jeff is a graduate of the University of Maryland with a bachelor's degree in business, and he is currently employed by MCI Telecommunications in Crystal City, Va. Nancy is a graduate of St Mary's College of Md. with a bachelor's degree in English. She is employed at High-Point Schaefer in Washington, D.C. A June wedding is planned.

Kramer-Brown

Dawn Kramer and life-long Greenbelt resident Danny Brown of Hillside Rd. were married at Unity Church on January 1. Danny is a 1983 graduate of Eleanor Roosevelt. Greenbelter JoanMcFarland sang at the ceremony. The couple is residing at 7 Hillside Rd.

Logo Contest Highlights

Deaf History, Achievement

A Deaf Heritage Week logo contest for deaf, hard of hearing and hearing students in grades nine through twelve is running Dec. 27 through Jan. 31.

Public libraries in the District of Columbia, suburban Maryland and Virginia sponsored Deaf Heritage Week programs in December as a way of increasing community awareness of deaf history, people and culture. A logo is sought to help identify these annual events.

The contest is sponsored by the Library Service to the Deaf Interest Group of the Council of Governments' Library Council.

The deadline for entries is Feb. 1. The winning logo and runners-up will be announced in March and used in the design of a 1990 calendar.

For contest rules and information call Susan F. Cohen, TDD 493-2554 or Voice 493-2555.

Rebuilding Fund Set Up By St. Hugh's Parish

In response to the need to accumulate funds to rebuild St. Hugh's School following the fire on December 24 that caused major damage, the Rev. John P. Stack and the parish Finance Committee have now established a special savings account to receive donations. Members of the parish have already received a letter requesting contributions. Others who may wish to contribute are asked to send donations to St. Hugh's School Restoration Fund, 135 Crescent Rd., Greenbelt.

According to the letter, the size of the needed funds is yet unknown. Although insurance will cover the cost of replacement of the former building, it would not meet additional costs needed to bring the building up to present-day county building codes, which would now have to be met.

Information for Parents Of the 6-8 Grade Students

The Prince Georges County public school system will conduct a series of educational alternative nights to help parents of sixth, seventh and eighth grade students learn more about the many educational choices available to them in the county's middle and high schools.

The information fairs, entitled "Choices Today equals Success Tomorrow," will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday, January 19. The information fair closest to Greenbelt will be held at Northwestern High School, 7000 Adelphi Road, Hyattsville.

Program supervisors, counselors, students and other school system personnel will be available to provide information.

Presentations include: comprehensive schools, magnet programs, occupation skills programs, and career education and vocations.

Attention Prospective Home Buyers

Greenbelt Homes, Inc. (GHI), one of the largest and most established housing cooperatives in the country, is offering brief and informative presentations designed to introduce GHI to you. The presentation will explain what a cooperative is, how GHI operates, what services are provided to GHI members under the monthly charges, and the financing sources which are available. This information will be useful to you whether or not you purchase a GHI home. This is an ideal opportunity for persons who are considering homeownership to learn about GHI and to ask questions in a relaxed atmosphere. Let us introduce you to the cooperative lifestyle BEFORE you look for a home. The next presentations will be held on:

Tuesday, January 17

7:15 p.m.

Tuesday, January 31

7:15 p.m.

Please call Louise at 474-4161 for reservations and information. The sessions are free, and there is no obligation.

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Our Heritage

R. C. Garcia, according to (the News Review) article Jan. 5, after working as the architect on the renovation of Center School stated that the best social and cultural solution would be gained by renovating the school as a school, but the best educational value would be achieved by building a new school. He must define education very narrowly — to me it includes social and cultural values. By renovating Center School as a school, an important physical symbol of Greenbelt will be kept alive as part of a living tradition.

There is a great irony here. When my parents and their generation came to Greenbelt to build a new community, the emphasis was on the "new." The old slums, the miserable streets, the alienation of people from society, all were to be swept away in a new dream. Fifty years later we must work to preserve something old; only fifty years old, true, but in Greenbelt 50 years is old. In the United States 50 years counts as roots, it counts as heritage. All the values of Greenbelt — a sense of community, caring, of working together for the common good — are values symbolized by Center School. Are those values so easily thrown away or do we want our children to perceive them as stable and sure? This is our heritage — and that heritage has as much educational value as a computer learning station.

Barbara Simon

THANKS

Thank you for the report you presented on the 1988 Governor's Award to the Springhill Lake Good Neighbor Watch Group for achievement in crime prevention.

But no one wins alone. I take this opportunity to pay tribute to those who encouraged and supported our pioneering efforts as we slowly tried to make our way in this transient community, never knowing how many or if anyone would show up for training. But like the proverbial tortoise, we prevailed.

First and foremost, of course, were the instructors of the Greenbelt Police Department without whose training this program would not be possible. Sgt. Douglas Sappington, our first instructor, challenged us, "If you want a watch program we will help you. But you will have to do it yourselves. No one can do it for you." He and those who followed him continued and are continuing to fulfill that pledge, no matter what the weather, how many arrived, or how tired they were. Cpl. Juan Turner, Cpl. Patrick McAndrew and our current instructor, Pfc. David Buerger helped us. Aid and information came from Dorothy Pyles who gave us the benefit of her experience with the patrol group she organized in Greenbriar East — a truly "Good Neighbor."

Edward Putens, Greenbelt councilmember (and) a frequent visitor to our early meetings offered encouragement and reported back to council on problems we encountered.

Finally, we appreciate the response of the Springhill Lake Management to the idea of conducting an anti-crime watch program, by providing publicity, meeting space and material assistance, as well as participating in evaluation meetings. As I said, No One Wins Alone!

Sara Bomberg, Coordinator

Letters to the Editor

Costs of Affordable Taxes

We recently received our property assessment notice from the Maryland State Department of Assessments and Taxation. It informed us that the assessed value of house and yard will increase by over 22%, and is spread over the next three years. That means an average increase of over 7% for three years. It also means an annual increase in city taxes (the dollars we pay) of over 7%, without council having to touch the tax rates. Seven percent is nearly twice the increase in Social Security benefits, nearly twice the increase in Federal pay, nearly twice the increase in Federal pensions.

In this context it was refreshing to read in David Lange's letter on the school site (News Review, Dec. 1) that we must have affordable taxes. True, this argument took only fifth (and last) place, but how rewarding to see the tax issue brought up at all! The writers of letters to the Editor traditionally only tout their favorite projects and purported benefits, while completely neglecting the negative influence on the pockets of their fellow citizens. However, unpleasant as it may be, taxes are the bottom line. In a world of free swimming pools, land, school sites and art centers there would be no need for arguments, letters to the Editor or a city council to make decisions and hard choices.

Senior citizens will see another tax increase in 1989. According to the Catastrophic Medicare Act a 15% surtax will be levied on Federal taxes for every person 65 years of age and older. This percentage will increase over a four-year period to a maximum annual surtax of 28%.

It is our hope that more and more citizens will follow David Lange's example and seriously take costs and affordable taxes into account when weighing the pros and cons of the various projects proposed for Greenbelt.

Leonie Penney
Betty Maffay,

member of City Council
1969-1973

Unforgettable Lesson

Words would definitely be inadequate to express my sincere thanks to Rabbi Saul Grife for making his classrooms at the Synagogue available to the St. Hugh's school children.

A similar situation developed at my school, St. James Parochial School, in Madison, Wisconsin back in 1958. Our school burned down and where did we go to school? To the Beth Israel Synagogue!

Rabbi Grife, his board of directors and his people have given the residents of Greenbelt an unforgettable lesson in human relations and a better understanding between churches.

I would be remiss if I didn't mention the custodial engineer Marvin of St. Hugh's who also performs part-time janitorial services at the synagogue. I would also like to thank Karen, the Rabbi's charming secretary, for giving me a tour of the synagogue.

Professor A. P. Endres

Unique Concept in Danger

City council's assurances to parkland advocates of their intent to purchase Parcel 1 were dimly reassuring in light of the latest attempts by Rocky Gorge to press the county to upgrade the water and sewer designation of Parcel 1, thereby laying the groundwork for it becoming a serviceable area.

To eyes that only blink dollar signs, the value of land is based on its ability to rake in huge profits. But to many long-time Greenbelt residents, tearing down the woods of Parcel 1 would be the last in a long series of blows by the calloused hands of "progress" to forever erase the unique concept that this town was built on many years ago. The time has come to finally put an end to this malignant growth before the green belt concept becomes a faded memory.

Yoni Siegel

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Friday, January 20, 1989

at 8 p.m.

ALL WELCOME

TERRACE ROOM

Greenbriar Community Building

7600 Hanover Parkway

Refreshments

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(Inside the College Motor Inn)

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OFFICIAL NOTICE

WORK SESSION

Interview of Citizens Interested in
Board/Committee Appointment

Monday, January 30, 1989

8:00 p.m.

Council Room-Municipal Building
25 Crescent Road

The City Council has scheduled a work session to interview citizens who have expressed an interest in serving on one of the city's advisory boards or committees. Presently, vacancies exist on the city's

Advisory Planning Board

Park and Recreation Advisory Board

Crime Prevention Committee and

Senior Citizen Task Force

Council recently established the following two committees for which it is seeking applications as well.

Arts Advisory Committee and

Greenbelt Foundation Ad Hoc Committee

Greenbelt citizens interested in being considered for appointment to any of the standing committees, who wish to be interviewed but who have not yet made their interest known, and citizens wishing to be considered for appointment to the newly established committees, are encouraged to submit a letter of interest and/or resume to the City Clerk, 25 Crescent Road, prior to the scheduled work session.

For information, please call 447-3870.

Gudrun H. Mills, CMC
City Clerk

ESTABLISHMENT OF TWO NEW CITY COMMITTEES

The Greenbelt City Council recently established two new city committees. One, the Greenbelt Arts Advisory Committee, shall be responsible for guiding the implementation of a city arts policy and shall consist of the following: One member from each of the three areas of the arts — performing, visual, and literary; one member with a background in arts education; at least two members of the business community; one member in good standing of the Park and Recreation Advisory Board; and a non-voting city staff member.

The committee shall write a proposed, formal arts policy for the city; provide advice on matters relating to the arts, including policies, programs, arts in public places, funding for private groups, and facilities for the arts; promote increased citizen participation in city and non-city arts programs and activities; assist city arts organizations in fund raising by providing information and assistance; supplement city staff as a liaison with arts-related organizations and aid in the planning and annual evaluation of the city's arts programs.

The second, Greenbelt Foundation Ad Hoc Committee, shall develop a framework for a Greenbelt Foundation and, to that end, shall recommend the purpose and goals for the foundation, its organizational framework, the makeup of the board of directors, draft articles of incorporation for the foundation to establish its tax-exempt status, define the foundation's relationship with the city and make such other recommendations needed to establish the foundation. The ad hoc committee shall consist of two members of the Greenbelt business community, two residents of Greenbelt, and one member of the Community Relations Advisory Board.

Indications of interest are being sought from Greenbelt citizens and the business community.

For information, please call the City Clerk, 474-3870

Our Neighbors

Dorie Bates 345-5961

Keeping with tradition in this new year, we begin by welcoming our newest Greenbelters. Sarah Elizabeth Beamer arrived at Holy Cross Hospital on November 29. The third child of Jessica and Sidney Beamer, she weighed 7 lbs. 11½ ozs. Two big brothers were on hand to welcome her home - Carleton 4 and Aaron 2. The Beamers live on Springhill Terrace.

Ryan Christopher Young arrived at Holy Cross on December 15. The first-born of Diana and Warren Young, Ryan weighed 8 lbs. 6 ozs. The new family lives on Hanover Parkway.

And finally, Angela and Philip Joseph are pleased to welcome home Sarah Elizabeth Joseph who was born at Holy Cross on December 20. Young Sarah weighed 4 lbs., 6 ozs. at birth. The Josephs live in the 8 Court of Plateau Place. Welcome all!

From Dr. Bernard Kessler, Woodland Way, comes news of his new granddaughter, Alexandra Colette, who weighed in at 7 lbs. 9 oz. She joins sister, Elisabeth. Proud parents are Ellen and Jean Chiniara, Wellesley, Mass.

Dr. Kessler just returned from a visit with his daughter, Susan, who has received her MBA degree and is now working and residing in Cleveland.

Congratulations to Marine Pvt. Christopher G. Taylor who has completed recruit training at the Marine Corps Recruit Depot at Parris Island, S.C. Taylor is the son of George Taylor who lives on Mandan Road.

Former Greenbelter Katherine Keene is visiting from Seattle. She will be here another week and is staying with Eleanor Ritchie.

And from my little corner of the world comes a wish that the new year finds you and your neighbors well. May 1989 be a year of good news for all.

Recreation Review

Late Registration

There are still openings in some of the winter classes which begin the week of January 23. Call the Recreation Department Business Office, 474-6878, for registration information.

Facility Entrance Pass

All participants, age 16 and over, entering the Recreation Centers are required to possess a Recreation Department photo ID card. These cards may be purchased for a nominal fee at either center. Proof of current residency must be provided at the time of purchase. Only residents of the City of Greenbelt may purchase a pass.

Weight Lifting Club Members

All Weight Lifting Club memberships have expired. In order to continue using the facilities, membership cards must be renewed.

Volleyball-Competitive

Co-recreational competitive volleyball is played at the Center School Gym. Games are played on Monday evenings from 6:30-10:30 p.m. Everyone 16 years and over is welcome.

Roller Skating

Skating is held in the Center School Gym. On Wednesdays, K-3rd grades share the floor, while on Fridays, it is the 4th-6th graders. Time is from 3-5 p.m. both afternoons. Bring own indoor skates or rent at the door.

Tax Aid for Seniors

The Department of Aging, Prince Georges County is offering tax assistance to Greenbelt residents at the Greenbelt Library and at 19 other county sites. This service is designed to help people 55 years of age and older understand the implications of tax law for their specific circumstances and to take advantage of special benefits for the elderly. Tax Aide counselors will also help these taxpayers complete their federal and state income tax returns. There is no charge.

To minimize delays, tax assistance will be provided by appointment only. Special phone lines will be available at the Department of Aging on or after January 17 between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. to schedule appointments. These numbers are 699-2687 and 699-2688. Actual tax assistance will start January 30 and continue up to April 15.

For further information, call Joseph Fazio, coordinator, at 699-2675.

CITY NOTES

The city's special details crew was busy plowing snow and prepping the equipment for the next snow fall. They also chipped Christmas trees.

The parks crew also assisted in snow removal.

Special Trash is current.

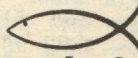
Public Works Department crews were busy picking up the high volume of trash generated by the Christmas season. Also all crews were engaged in cleaning up after the wind storm. No major damage was reported.

New employees Antoinette Conrad, Accounts Clerk; Tommy Holland, Police Cadet; Patricia Strader, Police Department Records Clerk; Emory Gibson and Brian Townsend of the Public Works Department were welcomed.

A Public Works crew moved 26 desks and 4 chalkboards from Center School to Grenoble Hall on Monday, January 2 at the request of St. Hugh's school.

Cancer Information Line

By dialing 1-800-ACS-2345, residents can obtain information about cancer including the cause, prevention, detection, diagnosis, treatment and the services offered by the American Cancer Society. The service will not make medical recommendations, however, and callers are encouraged to discuss medical matters with their physicians. All calls are confidential. The system will operate each weekday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and an answering service will take later calls.


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or a Better World?" Beth
Cox
9:30 a.m. Sunday School
Rev. R. W. Kelley 937-3666

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MASS SCHEDULE:

Sunday 8, 9:30, 11 a.m., 12:30 p.m.

Saturday 6 p.m.

Daily Mass: 7:30 a.m. Monday - Friday, 9 a.m. Monday - Saturday
Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 4-5 p.m.

Rev. John P. Stack, Pastor
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Midweek Prayer Service (Wed.) 8:00 P.M.

Tax Assistance Monday

Maryland State Comptroller Louis L. Goldstein says that free assistance for state income taxpayers will be available on Monday, Martin Luther King Jr. Day, from 8:30 a.m. until 5 p.m.

Taxpayers who wish to have their Maryland income tax forms completed for them must bring a completed copy of their federal return and all W-2 statements with them. The service is free.

The addresses and telephone number of all 15 offices of the Maryland Income Tax Division are listed on the back of the state packet and in local telephone directories. The toll-free number is 1-800-MD TAXES.

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Greenbelt CARES

Wendy Wexler and Paul Fischetti have started a six-week discussion group at Greenbelt Middle School for seventh and eighth graders. The guidance office participated in helping select students with the input of teachers and administrators. The group, which is at full capacity, will run until February 8.

The next Teen Discussion Group at Eleanor Roosevelt High School will start Wednesday, February 22 and run through March 22.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH

Episcopal

Baltimore Blvd. at Powder Mill Rd., Beltsville

8:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist

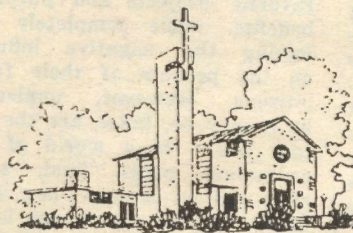
10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist

10:30 a.m. Sunday School

Rev. John G. Bals, Rector

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Greenbelt Community Church



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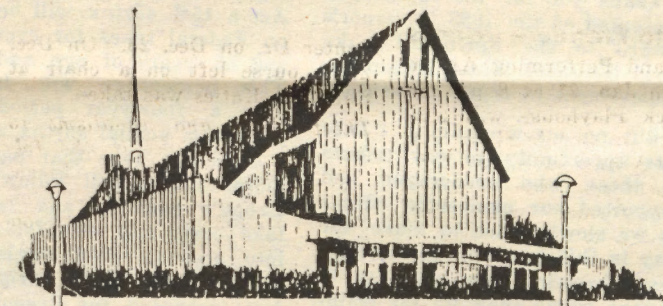
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Daniel Montague, Pastor

Clarion Puppeteers To Be at Library

A special performance of the musical tale of Peter and the Wolf, brought to life by the Clarion Shadow Theatre, is set for Saturday, Jan. 28, at 2 p.m. in the Greenbelt Library.

Sponsored by the Friends of the Greenbelt Library as part of an Open House (10 a.m. to 4 p.m.), to celebrate the completion of library renovation, the program is of special appeal to children ages 5-12.

The Clarion show blends the ancient art of shadow puppetry with modern cinematic techniques. The Kennedy Center, the Smithsonian Institution and Wolf Trap Farm Park are a few of the places where the light and shadow stories have been praised as "fantastic visual effects . . . a grand spectacle." A Washington Post review hailed the Clarion creators as "the leading figures of shadow puppetry in the United States."

Stress Management Class For Seniors Will be Given

A stress management class for senior citizens will be conducted at Green Ridge House beginning Friday, January 20 thru Friday, February 24, from 9 - 11 a.m. The course consists mostly of "how to" techniques in relaxation exercises, positive thinking, and coping methods. The class is free. The instructor is Walter B. Hammond, of Prince Georges Community College. People must register at the Youth Center or Green Ridge House. Karen Haseley, the coordinator, can be contacted at 474-6878.

Adamo to Premiere Dances

Dance and Performing Art in Concert on Jan. 21 at 8 p.m. in the Publick Playhouse will feature works by two local artists, Graceanne Adamo and Claire Porter. Dancer and choreographer Adamo, a former Greenbelter, will premiere three new works for seven dancers including herself. Porter will present three original solo dances. Adamo's work has been partially funded by a grant from the Prince Georges Arts Council. For tickets, or information call the box office at 277-1710.



HOLIDAY REFUSE SCHEDULE

Because of the Martin Luther King, Jr. Birthday Holiday, Monday, January 16, 1989, there will be no refuse collected that day. Monday's route will be collected on Tuesday, and Tuesday's route will be collected on Wednesday. NEWSPAPERS WILL NOT BE COLLECTED ON WEDNESDAY. Thursday and Friday will be on regular schedule.

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Police Blotter

Based on Information Released by the Greenbelt Police Department

A 17-year-old nonresident reported that he was assaulted on New Year's Eve about 11:30 p.m. by a juvenile with a handgun while at Beltway Plaza. The suspect is described as a black male, age 16, 5 ft. 10 in., 150 lbs., wearing gray slacks, a white shirt with red letters "MCM" on the front and white shoes.

Officer Robert Dowling was struck by a resident while investigating a domestic dispute on Jan. 5 in the 5900 block of Springhill Dr. The man arrested was charged with battering a police officer and resisting arrest. He was held on \$2000 bond pending trial.

Two thefts and recoveries of autos were reported this week. A 1986 Toyota 4-Runner was stolen on Jan. 3 in the 9100 block of Springhill Lane and was recovered 2 days later in the District. A 1981 Datsun 280-ZX that was stolen June 2 from the 8400 block of Canning Tr. was recovered on Jan. 2 in Beltsville. There were no arrests.

Other thefts reported this week included a woman's purse left unattended on a table at TGI Friday's on Jan. 1 and electrical equipment taken from an elevator in Beltway Plaza on Jan. 4.

Vandalisms to and theft from autos were reported in the following areas: 9 ct. Laurel Hill Rd., 6100 bl. Breezewood Ct., 6900 bl. Hanover Pkwy., 6400 bl. Ivy Ln., Beltway Plaza, 6001 Springhill Ln., and 9100 bl. Edmonston Rd.

Last Week

Other thefts include a purse left unattended in an office suite in the 7500 block of Greenway Center Dr. on Dec. 23. On Dec. 24, a purse left on a chair at Kangaroo Katies was taken.

Thefts from and vandalisms to autos were reported in the following areas: Beltway Plaza, 9100 bl. Springhill Ln., 6500 bl. Capital Dr., 6000 bl. Cherrywood Ln., and 9 Ct. Laurel Hill

Republican CC Vacancies

The Republican Central Committee for Prince Georges County will fill two vacancies on the 15 member committee at the regular February first-Monday meeting. The two vacancies exist because of the resignation of Philip Hogue from the 21st Legislative District and Michael Connolly from the 23rd Legislative District. The 23rd district includes Greenbelt, Lanham, and Seabrook.

Members of the Republican Central Committee are elected by voters from their legislative district in the primary in gubernatorial election years. Vacancies are filled by vote of the remaining committee members.

Applicants interested in the unpaid position should send written resume at their early convenience to Republican Central Committee, 9420 Annapolis Road, Suite 105, Lanham, MD 20706.

Candidate must be a registered Republican in the appropriate legislative district. Previous work for the Republican Party is usually a consideration.

Hospice Volunteers Sought

Holy Cross Hospital of Silver Spring is currently seeking week-day volunteers for its Hospice Home Care Program. Hospice volunteers provide emotional physical, social, and spiritual support for terminally ill patients and their families.

Volunteers must be at least 18 years old; available to work a minimum of one four-hour shift per week between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday; and attend a sixsession training course from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. every Wednesday, February 22 through March 29. A completed volunteer application and a personal interview is required before admission to the training program.

Persons interested in becoming hospice volunteers should call Wanda Herb, Director of Volunteer Services, at 565-1384 before February 10.

GREENBELT NEWS REVIEW

CFG Will Discuss Center School Plans

Citizens for Greenbelt will hold a special meeting to discuss future plans for Greenbelt Center School. The meeting will be held on Thurs., Jan. 26 at 8 p.m. in the City Council Room, Municipal Building.

CFG will provide a draft copy of the survey which will be distributed among Greenbelt residents in early February. The school board has indicated that the results of the survey will weigh heavily in their final decision.

Following the discussion, CFG may adopt a position on this issue and forward it to the school board. All interested citizens are invited to attend.

Lecture on Menopause At Washington Adventist

Washington Adventist Hospital is sponsoring a free physician lecture called **Important Facts About Menopause** on Tuesday January 17 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Dr. Donna Wemple, a Board Certified obstetrician-gynecologist, will discuss the physiological, sexual and emotional changes that occur during and after menopause. For more information, call 891-5716. There is no charge.

Register Now for Classes

Registration by mail for the winter-spring classes sponsored by the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission will be accepted till January 19. Walk-in registration will be on Jan. 23 at 6-7 p.m. at the Beltsville Community Center, 3900 Sellman Road, Beltsville. Classes begin the week of February 6. Classes offered at Eleanor Roosevelt High School are: Sign Language, Bio-Aerobics (two classes), Beginning Cake Decoration and Greenware Ceramics. For further information on mail-in registration call 445-4500, TDD 455-4507.

Volunteers Needed

Volunteers of any age are needed to participate in a variety of activities to benefit the animals of Prince Georges County, including crafts and fundraising, newsletter reporting, humane education, the neuter and spay program, cruelty investigations, emergency rescue, and animal-rights lobbying.

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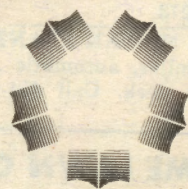
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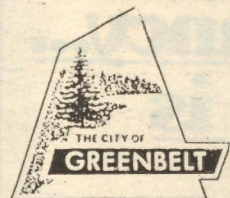
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If you own this type of vehicle, take a moment to bend over and look at both boot covers, located on the back side of each front wheel at the ends of both drive axles. If you see a boot split wide open and lubricant all over the area, you need repair work. If you have trouble examining your vehicle yourself, give us a call and we will be glad to help you.

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North End Center Report

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that this section of the building is in the best condition, but may have the worst asbestos problem. The remainder of the building could either be demolished or used for storage. This alternate, estimated to cost \$1,675,000 if the remainder of the building receives minimal renovation is the least costly option other than complete demolition. However, much of the building would be vacant and only a few uses could be accommodated. In addition, access from the parking areas would be inconvenient. The last alternative considered by Giese is renovation and utilization of the entire building. However, this option would require up to 232 parking places. Since the site can hold only 140 spaces, Giese said that a parking structure might be required. The initial renovation cost would be approximately \$3 million with annual operating expense to the city of \$174,000.

Although this option accommodates the most uses and provides space for future city needs, Giese says it suffers from inadequate parking, highest renovation costs and inconvenient access. In addition, Giese said that

one reason why the city sought to acquire the building was to obtain park land for the north end. Full utilization of the building and construction of senior housing on the site would leave little land for use as a park.

The report does not suggest what uses should be included in the building. However, Giese reviewed all the uses so far proposed and provided an analysis of costs, advantages and disadvantages of each.

Senior Programs

A four thousand square foot Senior Citizen Activity Center, as proposed by council and Citizens for the North End Center (CNEC) would cost approximately \$494,100 to construct and \$87,000 per year to operate and maintain.

The same groups have also proposed a 2,800 square foot adult day care center. Although the city has grant and matching funds sufficient to cover the \$288,875 estimated construction cost, to date no provider has been willing to run the center unless operating costs are subsidized.

The Seniors' Housing Committee of the Greenbelt Consumer Coop has proposed constructing a cooperative apartment building on the school grounds. However, Giese says the staff does not consider this a good location for such a project. The city manager is also concerned that if the apartments are built they will crowd out park uses of the

property. In addition, he recommended that if the apartments are built that the existing ball field be maintained.

Arts Facilities

CNEC has requested 11,906 square feet for artists' studios and classrooms, plus 5,562 square feet for expansion. Renovation should cost \$595,300 - \$873,400. While rental fees should defray some of the annual operating expenses, Giese says that a city subsidy would probably be required. However, some grant funds may be available.

Giese does not recommend providing the performing arts center requested by the Greenbelt Arts Center, saying that the extensive renovations suggested would make the multipurpose room unsuitable for many other proposed uses.

The proposed renovations would cost approximately \$739,800. The completed facility would include a dance studio, a music rehearsal room and a storage room and require up to 65 parking places. In addition, operating expenses would probably have to be subsidized by the city, according to Giese.

Child Care

While rental fees on an 8,256 square foot child day care facility, suggested by CNEC and the Paint Branch Montessori School, could reimburse the city for all operating, maintenance and debt service costs, the deed prohibits

the city from leasing a facility this large for a profit. The city staff is also investigating whether a provider could be found that would finance the renovation costs.

The Greenbelt Cooperative Nursery School has also requested 2,752 square feet for their operations. Rental fees should cover operating and maintenance costs and repayment of renovation costs. However, Giese does not expect the city to realize any revenue in excess of costs.

City Uses

The city staff has proposed several uses for the building, including recreation programs, storage and future expansion of the city offices. Much of the building is currently used for storage. Giese estimates that the city needs approximately 7,000 square feet of storage space, with an estimated renovation cost of \$175,000.

Giese also considered reserving 8,000 square feet for city offices. The city manager feels that expansion of the municipal building is not physically feasible and suggests that the city use space it already owns, rather than renting or building additional space. The space could be used for storage until needed for offices.

The Recreation Department has requested 11,500 square feet, including the multipurpose gym, for recreation programs. In addition the school grounds would be used for various sports. The construction costs are estimated at \$484,200, with annual operating expenses of \$81,200. Approximately 112 parking spaces would be required.

Giese says that the recreation programs provide the ability to provide multiple uses in the same space, and can help support other proposed uses, such as the senior citizens and arts centers. In contrast, he noted that space allocated to any of the specific proposed uses would not be available for other uses.

Other Uses

The museum would like to use 1,123 square feet for a display room and storage. The construction costs are estimated at \$56,160 with operating costs of approximately \$4,500. Giese said that this most likely would require city funding.

Staff has suggested using one classroom for a public access cable television studio. This would require electrical heavy-up but construction and operating costs would be funded from the

Women Business Owners

The Women Business Owners of Prince Georges County will hold its monthly meeting on Tuesday, January 17 at the Fire-side Beef House on Greenbelt Rd. The guest speaker will be Bridgette Theurer, management training consultant, who will present "Goals for the New Year." Call 630-2022 or 567-3488 for reservations and information about cost.

Women Business Owners of Prince Georges County is currently conducting its 1989 membership drive and invites all women business owners in the county to contact membership chairperson, Rita Fordham at 937-1901 for more information.

franchise fees.

Another staff proposal is the renovation of part of the building for rental offices. While this could result in rental income of up to \$65,600 per year, a zoning change would be required. In addition, no marketing data is available to indicate whether anyone would be interested in renting the renovated space.

Financing Problems

Financing of city capital improvement projects including North End School, continues to be a major concern of the city manager. In the report he urged council to reach an early agreement on a financial plan that would either provide additional financing and the higher taxes necessary to repay the increased debt, or defer some projects.

Giese recommended a set of council actions to determine if and how the building should be renovated: first, council must determine whether the school is to be retained by the city or whether the site is to be used for a new elementary school. If the choice is renovation, then council should determine the scope of the renovation, prioritize uses and allocate space accordingly. Staff feels that usage decisions should be based upon which projects best meet the needs of the city, rather than on the availability of grant funds.

The next step recommended is development of a financial plan for all the underfunded capital projects. To accomplish this, council would assign priorities to the various projects and identify the funds available. Once the plan is complete, the city can begin to develop detailed architectural plans and begin construction, if the renovation project is funded under the plan.

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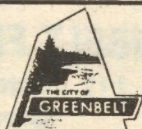
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